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heard at intervals of five seconds, probably from the same cruiser observed on 29 June, as both the loudness and the salvo intervals were similar to those heard at that time.

4. At 0950 on 9 July, a group of six minesweepers was sighted coming from Porkkala and proceeding in close line formation at slow speed. The sweepers, excepting the rear vessel, had a single stack, one mast [redacted] and were painted gray. A black or dark green band was painted around the smokestack. The rear vessel of the group [redacted] was the only two-stacker. It appeared to be a large guard vessel rather than a minesweeper. The group assembled at N 59-50-42, E 24-25, proceeding two by two abeam [redacted] joining the van group. The division proceeded in an easterly direction with the sweeping equipment out and interconnected.
5. At 1015 on 9 July, a large submarine was sighted on an easterly course near Naissaar Island. The submarine, which was large and long, carried two guns, one forward and one aft of the conning tower. At 2315 on 9 July, Soviet submarine [redacted] was seen near N 58-07, E 21-07, followed by a KRONSHITADT-Class submarine chaser. Both the submarine and the submarine chaser were laboring heavily against the sea. The two vessels carried the prescribed masthead lights, side lights, and stern lights; the submarine exhibited a particularly powerful stern light.

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